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TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

FROM: { Director AD/CVD & Revenue Policy & Programs }

RE: PRELIMINARY SCOPE RULING IN THE COUNTERVAILING DUTY ORDER ON CERTAIN PASTA FROM ITALY (C-475-819)

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TO: DIRECTORS OF FIELD OPERATIONS PORT DIRECTORS

FROM: DIRECTOR, IMPORT OPERATIONS

RE: PRELIMINARY SCOPE RULING IN THE COUNTERVAILING DUTY ORDER ON CERTAIN PASTA FROM ITALY (C-475-819)

- 1. ON OCTOBER 26, 1998, THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE SELF-INITIATED A SCOPE INQUIRY WITH RESPECT TO THE COUNTERVAILING DUTY ORDER ON CERTAIN PASTA FROM ITALY TO CLARIFY THE MEANING OF A "FIVE-POUND" PACKAGE OF PASTA.
- 2. SCOPE OF THE COUNTERVAILING DUTY ORDER

THE SCOPE OF THIS ORDER CONSISTS OF CERTAIN NON-EGG DRY PASTA IN PACKAGES OF FIVE POUNDS (OR 2.27 KILOGRAMS) OR LESS, Message Date: 04/16/1999 Message Number: 9106113 Page 2 of 5

WHETHER OR NOT ENRICHED OR FORTIFIED OR CONTAINING MILK OR OTHER OPTIONAL INGREDIENTS SUCH AS CHOPPED VEGETABLES, VEGETABLE PUREES, MILK, GLUTEN, DIASTASES, VITAMINS, COLORING AND FLAVORINGS, AND UP TO TWO PERCENT EGG WHITE. THE PASTA COVERED BY THIS SCOPE IS TYPICALLY SOLD IN THE RETAIL MARKET, IN FIBERBOARD OR CARDBOARD CARTONS OR POLYETHYLENE BAGS, OF VARYING

## DIMENSIONS.

EXCLUDED FROM THE SCOPE OF THIS REVIEW ARE REFRIGERATED, FROZEN OR CANNED PASTAS, AS WELL AS ALL FORMS OF EGG PASTA, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF NON-EGG DRY PASTA CONTAINING UP TO TWO PERCENT EGG WHITE. ALSO EXCLUDED ARE IMPORTS OF ORGANIC PASTA FROM ITALY THAT ARE ACCOMPANIED BY THE APPROPRIATE CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE INSTITUTO MEDITERRANEO DI CERTIFICAZIONE ("IMC"), BY BIOAGRICOOP SCRL, BY QC&I INTERNATIONAL SERVICES, OR BY ECOCERT ITALIA.

- 3. THE MERCHANDISE UNDER ORDER IS CURRENTLY CLASSIFIABLE UNDER ITEMS 1902.19.20 OF THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES (HTSUS). ALTHOUGH THE HTSUS SUBHEADINGS ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES, THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE SCOPE OF THIS ORDER IS DISPOSITIVE.
- 4. ON MARCH 24, 1999, THE DEPARTMENT ISSUED A PRELIMINARY SCOPE RULING THAT PASTA IN PACKAGES WEIGHING OR LABELED UP TO AND INCLUDING FIVE-POUNDS FOUR-OUNCES IS WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE COUNTERVAILING DUTY ORDER COVERING CERTAIN PASTA FROM ITALY (C-475-819).
- 5. FOR IMPORTS OF CERTAIN PASTA MANUFACTURED IN ITALY IN PACKAGES WEIGHING OR LABELED UP TO AND INCLUDING FIVE-POUNDS FOUR-

OUNCES AND OTHERWISE MEETING ALL THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MERCHANDISE SUBJECT TO THE COUNTERVAILING DUTY ORDER, THE CUSTOMS

SERVICE SHALL SUSPEND LIQUIDATION OF SUCH SHIPMENTS THAT ARE ENTERED OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION, ON OR AFTER

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OCTOBER 26, 1998, AT THE CASH DEPOSIT RATES IN EFFECT.

- 6. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CUSTOMS OFFICERS, PLEASE CONTACT VIA E-MAIL, THROUGH THE APPROPRIATE SUPERVISORY CHANNELS, OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCY LIAISON, USING THE ATTRIBUTE "HQ OAB." THE IMPORTING PUBLIC AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD CONTACT SALLY HASTINGS, OFFICE OF AD/CVD ENFORCEMENT OFFICE 1, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, AT (202) 482-3464.
- 7. THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE RELEASE OF THIS INFORMATION.

PAUL SCHWARTZ

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## **Company Details**

\*Party Indicator Value:

I = Importer, M = Manufacturer, E = Exporter, S = Sold To Party

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